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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Staff, Office of Special Activities

SUBJECT

: IDEALIST Clearance for Ambassador Graham Martin

- 1. Bill Marvel of State called me the afternoon of 30 September, apparently quite upset over the fact that there had allegedly been no coordination between anyone in the Office of Security in this Agency and his office with regard to the IDEALIST briefing given to Ambassador Martin a few weeks ago.
- 2. The reason for his concern was that Martin apparently had not been signed up for an IDEALIST clearance before or after his briefing by us, and he, Marvel, was being called on to do this to his "great embarrassment".
- 3. I poured a little soothing syrup on "Big Bill" and told him I would check with you to see where the deficiency originated. He left the telephone muttering, "This is not the only instance of this poor coordination that I have had". Please let me know how this managed to end up between the stools.

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Acting Assistant Director (Special Activities)

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